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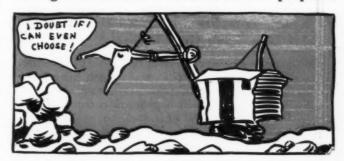
#### Hitting the High Spots

Out in the boundless spaces of the Middle West the other day we overhauled an ancient Ford which was bounding merrily over the concrete with more than the ordinary amount of clatter. On it in letters big and bold were the words, "I do not choose to run in 1928." Of the meaning of the statement there was not the slightest doubt. In



fact, as we went past, the only question in our minds was whether or not the poor thing would get to the next gas station.

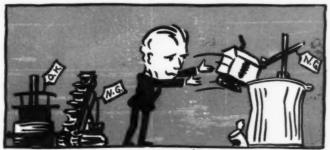
A FEW miles further on, we passed a pre-war steam shovel doing its best to fill a waiting line of motor trucks. Every joint creaked as the dipper lunged uncertainly back and forth. The old often are unable to speak clearly, but we were sure that the veteran shovel, like the faithful Ford, was turning the President's words to its own purposes.



If ALL the machines in the great construction field could make themselves understood, how many of them would be found saying the same thing? Many of them are still going who have earned rest and quiet. They no longer can work efficiently, they have ceased to be a credit either to their makers or their owners. There is just one reason why they are still on the job—they cost a lot of money in the first place.

OF COURSE, they cost a lot of money if they were well made. Nobody denies that good construction machinery is expensive. But that is no reason why it should be kept at work beyond its time. A machine that is too old to work efficiently is infinitely more expensive than the highest priced new machine, as many a construction man has found to his cost.

So THIS fall while you are winding up your 1927 jobs, listen to the voices of your old machines. And if you hear them protesting that



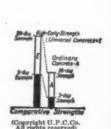
they do not choose to run in 1928, pay heed to what they say.

AND if you are not quite sure whether or not the old fellows really are through, ask the men who made them to help you decide. They know their machines inside and out. They also know that the best advertisement they can have is an old machine that is still going strong, so you needn't be afraid of being urged to buy a new one when it isn't really needed. And beyond that, the



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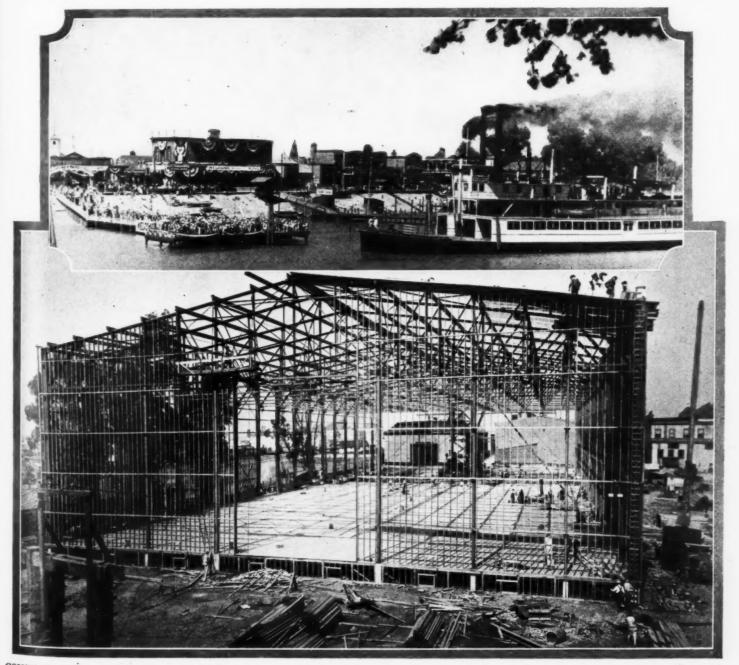
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#### There's Money in the Movies

of the cash that is spent by the movie magnates. The construction men get their share. Two jobs done by the moving picture industry are illustrated on this page. The

HE high-salaried stars and Will Hays do not get all upper picture shows a made-to-order town built for a Buster Keaton comedy on the banks of the Sacramento River. Below is an enormous moving picture stage providing 43,680 sq.ft. of space built for the De Mille studios at Hollywood.





# Keeping Abreast 0

The city of Portland,
Ore., is building a storage reservoir in Bear
Creek Canyon in the
Cascade Mountains. A
delegation of city officials headed by Mayor
George L. Baker, the big
man at the right, recently
inspected the job

A big blast in which 500,000 tons of limestone were broken up was set off at Monolith, Cal. The stone will be used in making cement. About 200,000 lb. of dynamite did the trick

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Work is steadily going forward on a big bridge that will cross the Kennebec River between Bath and Woolwich, Me. The spans were floated to the site of the bridge on concrete barges which were made during the World War



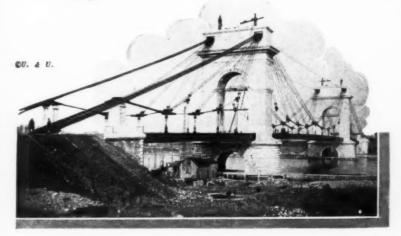
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# st of Construction

Methods of building scaffolds were described in the August issue of Construction Methods. Here is the way the Chinese build them out of bamboo fastened with strips of matting

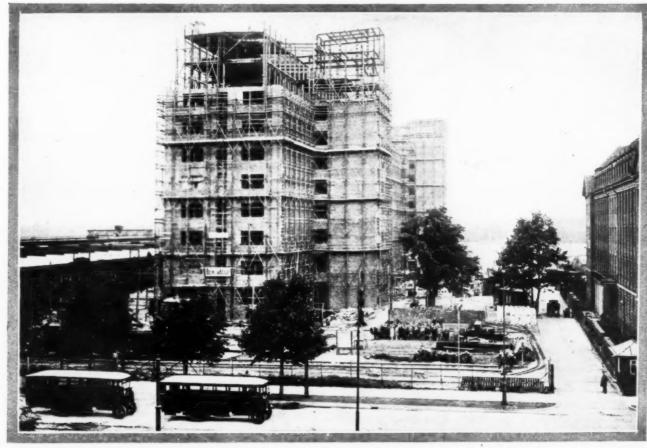
A suspension bridge unusual in design has just been finished at Alfortville, near Paris. The structure crosses the Seine and is known as the Girard - Arnodin Bridge

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One of the largest factory buildings in Europe is being built at Siemenstadt near Berlin, Germany, by the Siemens-Schukert Works. The great structure is 600 ft. long and 145 ft. in height



# Efficient Bridge Building

#### Interstate Structure Between Washington and Idaho Completed Ahead of Time

ARGE volume of highway traffic between the states of Washington and Idaho is now passing over a new bridge across the Pend Oreille River at Newport, Wash. This structure, consisting of four steel truss spans and reinforced concrete approaches, was built by Sam Boudrye of Lewiston, Idaho, who, from the time the job began in June of last year until the bridge was recently opened by Governor Hartley of Washington and Governor Baldridge of Idaho, kept the job moving along steadily without any delays of consequence.

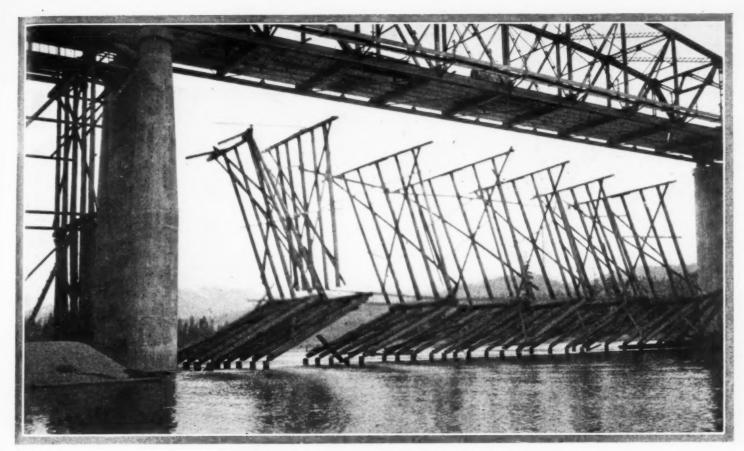
After the bridge itself had been completed, Mr. Boudrye

gave the citizens of Newport a treat by removing the false work in spectacular fashion. Instead of dismantling the falsework piece by piece, he dropped ten bents at a time into the river removing all of the falsework from under each span as a unit. This was accomplished by lumbermen's methods.

All piles were notched at the water's edge, three bents at one end of each span being notched to the west, and seven bents notched to the east. After the planking had been removed for the full length of the span, the 4x12-in. keys between the three-bent section and the seven-bent section

Miss Hamberg, the first white child born in Newport, Wash., cut the ribbon which opened the bridge to traffic. The three men are from left to right: Gov. H. C. Baldridge, Idaho; Fred L. Wolf, editor, Newport Miner, and Gov. Roland H. Hartley, Washington





The falsework fell as a unit exactly as planned

also were pulled out. In other words, one panel was daylighted. This was done in order to make certain that all of the falsework would fall clear of the concrete piers. As the falsework was 64 ft. in height built on 14-in. piles, it was important that the concrete piers be protected from impact.

When this work had been done, a free runner block through a multiple sheave block and a single-drum Le Roi American hoist unit was attached to the cap top of the first lift of the three-bent section. This was done in order to cause the three-bent section to fall outward striking the other bents and collapsing them in turn. The photograph at the top of this page shows how well the plan worked, the falsework coming down as a unit and falling clear of the piers.

The falsework under the other three spans was removed in exactly the same manner. The top piles, lumber capping and planks were salvaged. This part of the job was handled by a boss rigger and five men who notched all of the piles in 1½ days. The same crew, with the aid of a small power launch, cleared away the debris and salvaged what was worth saving. The piles had to be cut within 2 ft. of the river bed, and this was done by exploding dynamite under water, the dynamite being lowered with a drop chain. Five sticks were used for each pile and they did a clean job at a cost of about 50 cents per pile.

The new bridge rests on five river piers, all on pile foundations. The two main piers are dumb-bell shaped, 90 ft. in total height, and rest on 87 winter-cured tamarack piles driven to a penetration of 18 ft. The other three piers rest on 67 piles each. Open cofferdams, 42x15 ft. inside dimensions, were sunk to a depth of 30 ft. below water level, and a tremie concrete seal 6 ft. thick was placed through a 35-ft. spout. The cribs were built up of 12x12 timbers laid horizontally with 30-in. steel drift pins at intervals of 3 ft. in each course to give vertical stiffness. They were carefully caulked, and no leaks occurred in the seals.

Load boxes weighing 150 tons were used to sink the cofferdams. On the two center piers two railroad jacks were used. The falsework was erected in two lifts. Piles for the first lift were driven to a penetration of about 15 ft. A skid derrick was started on the first lift to handle the excavating and was followed by another rig for placing forms and concrete. The material yard and concrete plant were established on the level of the second lift. A narrow-gage track was moved up to this deck, and timbers and concrete were passed down to the first deck. In this way the entire job was speeded up. The narrow-gage track was laid on cantilever beams at the side, making it possible to work on falsework, forms and steel at the same time. Cars were moved by a hoist operating an endless cable. Materials were brought in over a 1,200-ft. spur of the Great Northern Railroad, gravity bunkers being provided for sand and gravel.

The seals and bases for two piers were poured from the other side of the river, concrete being carried in buggies over a runway constructed for the purpose. About 60 cu.yd. a day could be placed from a 1-sack mixer, and the work was advanced considerably by this expedient. The steel was erected by a traveler.

The total length of the bridge is 1,246 ft., of which 720 ft. are taken care of by the four steel truss spans. The new structure carries a concrete roadway 20 ft. in width, with a sidewalk 5 ft. wide on the upstream side. It is 58 ft. above the low water mark. Cement in the bridge came from the Metaline Falls, Wash., mill of the Lehigh Portland Cement Company. The contract price for the job was \$198,000.

The bridge was finished ahead of schedule, and as part of the celebration the old ferry was burned in midstream after dark.

The contract for the work was let by the Idaho Department of Public Works, and the work was done under the direction of the Bureau of Highways, of which Charles Kyle is bridge engineer. The resident engineer in immediate charge of the work was Joseph A. Murphy who furnished the information in this article describing the removal of the falsework. Grant Conner was the superintendent for Mr. Boudrye.



The photograph at the bottom of this page shows Mr. Boudrye chatting with W. J. Geary, ferryman for the last ten years.

The celebration at the opening of the bridge was attended by the governors of the two states, Senator C. C. Dill of

Washington, Congressman Burton L. French of Idaho and Congressman Sam B. Hill of Washington, who represent the two districts connected by the bridge.



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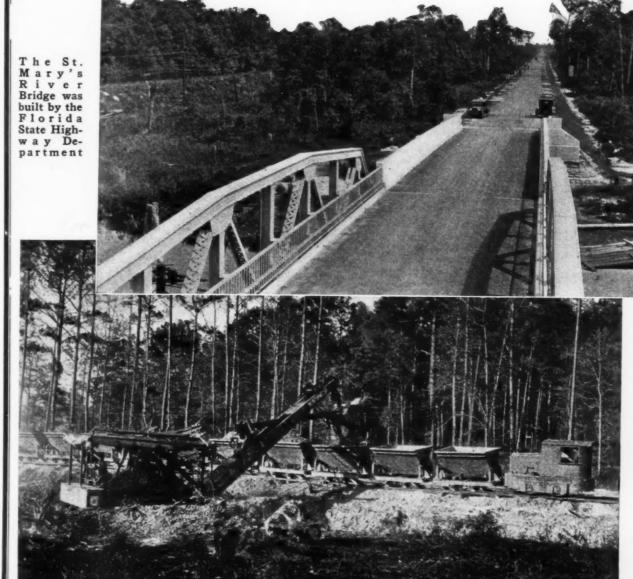


#### Georgia Builds Coastal Highway

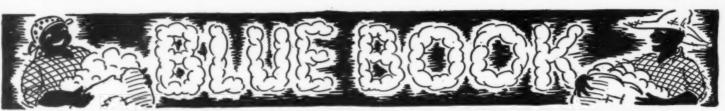
A GREAT variety of types of highway construction are being employed in building the Coastal Highway through Georgia. Almost every kind of work except heavy grading can be found along the 104 miles of road being improved. Some of the most interesting phases of the whole construction program are the surfacing with bitulithic and Portland cement concrete, the unusual six-pile bents in the timber bridges, and the hydraulic fill across the marshes of the Turtle River Cutoff.

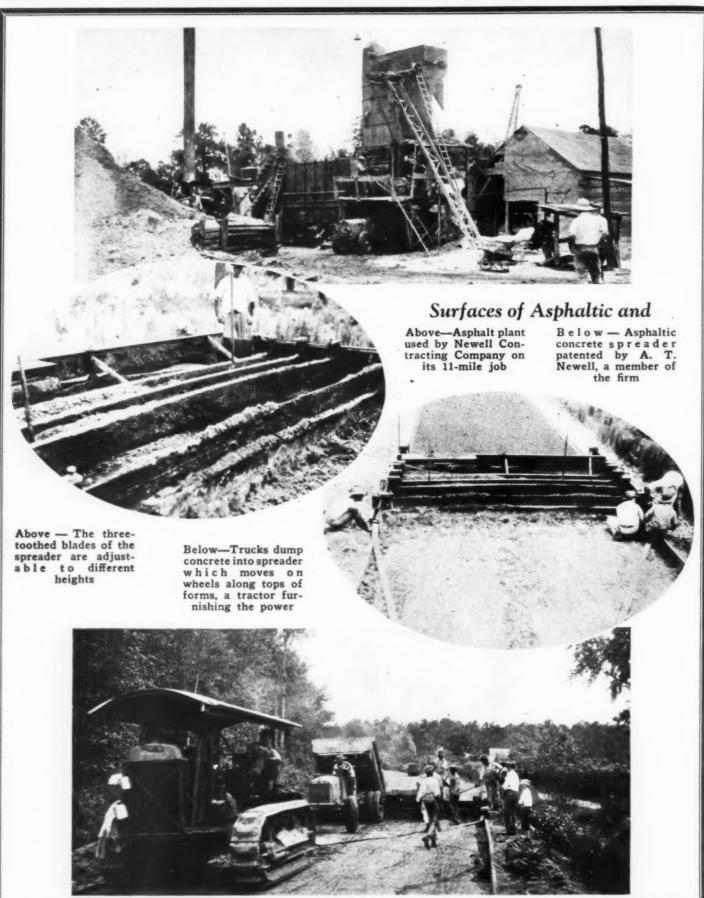
The accompanying illustrations were selected to show useful construction methods and at the same time to give an idea of the variety of highway types being built between the St. Mary's River, on the Florida line, and the northernmost point of the improvement, fourteen miles south of Savannah. The new road follows the old line pretty closely except at the Turtle River Cutoff, south of Brunswick, where 15 miles of new construction will reduce the distance by half and eliminate fourteen railroad grade crossings.

The highway is being built with a combination of state, federal and Coastal Highway District funds. Construction operations are mainly under the supervision of H. J. Friedman, division engineer of the State Highway Board of Georgia, Division No. 7, with headquarters at Savannah.



F. M. Jones made the White Oak fill with dump cars and gas locomotives











Along the New Coastal Highway



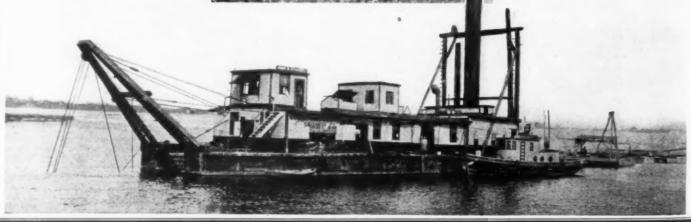
On the Turtle River Cutoff

Above—A six-pile bent developed by the engineers in charge and which has created great interest. This bridge was built by T. P. Wright & Company

At left—The shell for this drawspan pier was sunk inside the fender system by excavating with clamshell buckets and bolting on ring sections

Below—The 20-in. suction dredge with which the Globe Dredging Company pumped sand from the river bottoms for making fills

At left — Two layers of roofing felt kept the bolted joints water-tight under a 19-ft. head after the shell was sealed and unwatered



# Concrete Structure Replaces Old Castle Bridge in Berlin

Heavy Reinforcing Is Feature of New Work in Heart of German Capital

By Wyatt B. Brummitt, Portland Cement Association

THE strain of modern life has been the undoing of many of the old world's historic structures. The rushing, pounding vibration of present-day traffic was not even a nightmare dream when the bridges over the Seine, in Paris, or over the Spree, in Berlin, were built.

Consequently, the Seine bridges are frequently closed for repair. And last winter the Schlossbrücke (Castle Bridge) in the very center of Berlin's imposing architectural scheme, began to crack and settle dangerously. It was closed to traffic and, on investigation, found to be so badly weakened that repair was inadvisable. A new bridge was necessary.

German bridge engineers, called on to replace the historic structure with a new one in harmony with the setting, decided on reinforced concrete. The accompanying illustration shows a part of the remarkable system of reinforcing used in the work. The reinforcing for the main arch is carried far down on the sides and there tied into the reinforcing for the ap-

proaches. It will be seen that the monumental statuary which ornamented the approach on the castle side has not been disturbed. Similarly, the approach from the other side, which connects with the famous boulevard, Unter den Linden, is to be maintained essentially as it was before reconstruction.

The new bridge will permit traffic, consisting of the heaviest motor bus and passenger vehicle type, to flow uninterruptedly from Unter den Linden to the plaza in front of the Castle and the other buildings of the group which are the ceremonial centers of the capital. The National Gallery, the Temple of Fame and the Old Museum appear in the background of the photograph.

The use of concrete to replace old masonry structures is steadily gaining in Europe. Both in France and Germany a number of concrete bridges have been built in the last few years. The new Castle Bridge in Berlin is another example of the European trend toward concrete for such structures.



#### Lining An Irrigation Canal

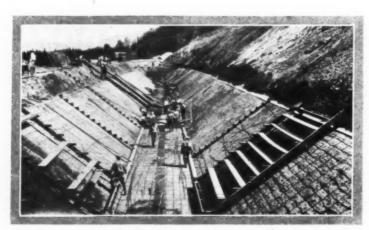
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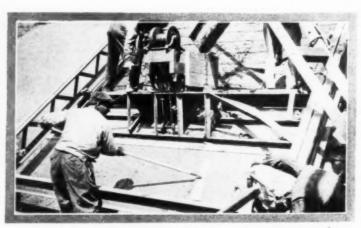


1. Hand trimming banks of canal and placing reinforcing steel

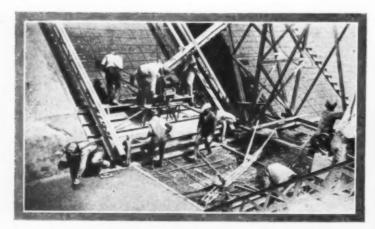
The General Construction Company of Spokane, Wash., is lining the Kittitas Main Canal at Easton, Wash., with concrete. This lining is 3 in. thick with 3/8-in. steel reinforcing at 12-in. centers



This concreting plant or "Jumbo" was designed by Tom Myall, in charge of the work for the contractor



3. A close-up of the "Jumbo" showing 3x14-ft. steel panel being pulled continuously up the slope. Concrete is being shoveled in ahead of it and the finished product may be seen behind. A 14-ft. panel of concrete was placed on both sides and floor in 45 minutes. The concrete had a 3-in. slump



4. The 14-ft. panel is placed simultaneously on both sides of the canal, the bottom being poured last. The "Jumbo" is mounted on wheels running on screeds set to line and grade, so that platform and all are pushed ahead when the panel is completed



5. The finished product. The canal is designed to carry 1,320 sec.ft.

### Rebuilding Old High Bridge

The reconstruction of High Bridge which carries the original Croton Aqueduct across the Harlem River, New York, is now well under way. The present part of the work is being handled by the McClintic-Marshall Company of New York City

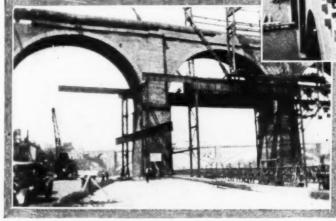
The last span of the false work is cantilevered over the Speedway William G. Rapp

Engineer McClintic-Marshall Co.,

New York City

Wins Second Prize of \$15.00

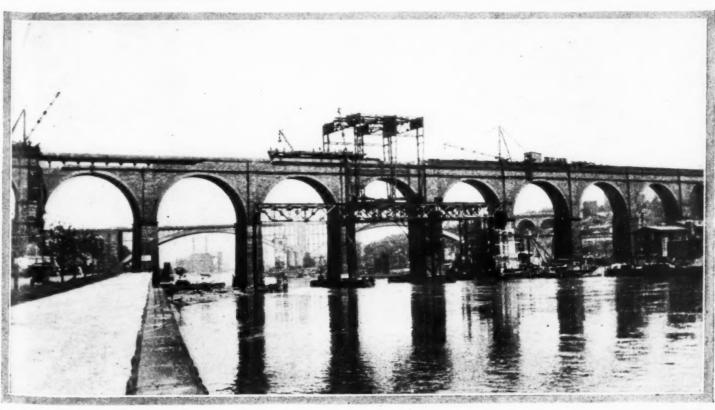
Removing a section of the old wrought iron pipe taken from bridge



Below—A general view of the job showing falsework and traveler



At top—The bridge from above showing the old pipe



#### Get Your Job Into Print

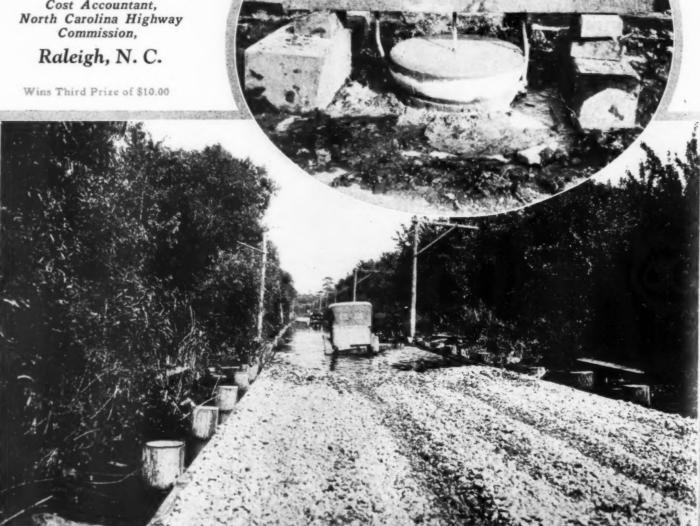
UR prize winners this month come from the states of Washington, New York and North Carolina, so three widely separated sections are represented. That's what we like. Many jobs are now nearing completion. Let's have some pictures of them before you put on the finishing touches. Three prizes are offered-first, \$25.00; second, \$15.00, and third, \$10.00. Get out your camera and see if you can win one of them.

HE conditions are stated herewith: Photographs must be taken by a man actually employed on the job and should be sent to Construction Methods, Tenth Avenue at Thirty-sixth Street, New York City, by Monday, October 10, and plainly marked Photographic Contest. Photographs received after that date will be entered in the December contest. Construction Methods will pay for all non-prize winning photographs used.

North Carolina has had to work hard to maintain Route 34 near Elizabeth City where the highway crosses a swamp and at times is covered by tidewater. Experiments have been made with bridges anchored to creosoted piles. One of these piles with its concrete jacket is shown in the oval

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Cost Accountant, Commission,

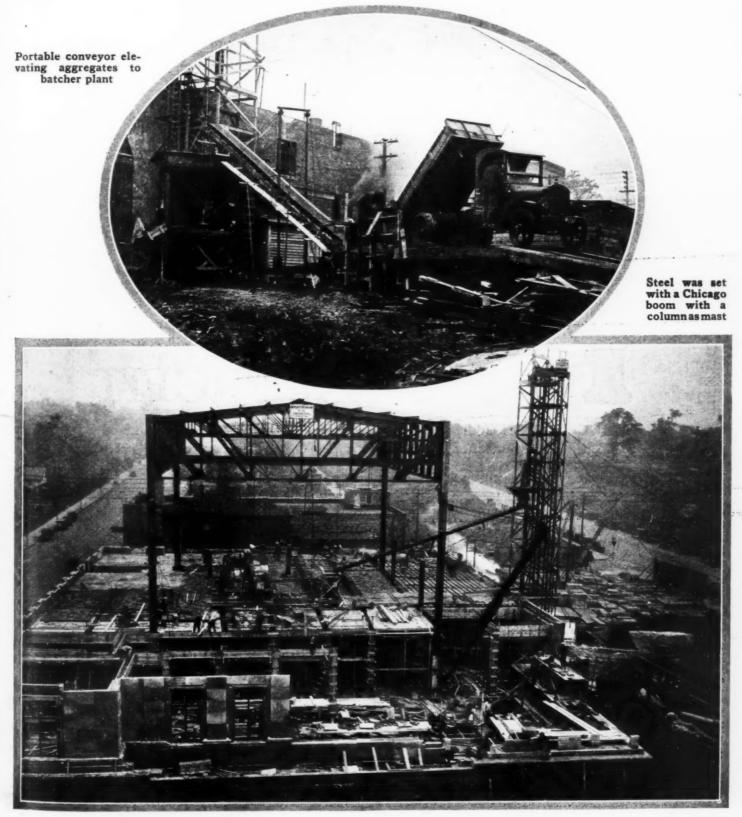


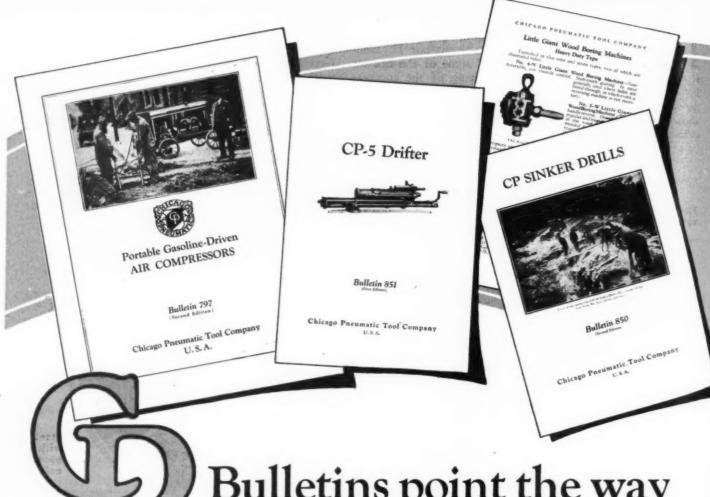
#### Heavy Steel Set in Advance

In erecting the building for Des Moines Consistory No. 3 at Des Moines, Iowa, the contractors, Arthur H. Neumann & Company of that city, set some of the heavier structural steel in advance of the pouring of the concrete floors. This was done because the floors could not take the necessary loads. The steel was set with the Chicago boom shown in the lower photograph. It could be moved from one column to another in four hours.

The concreting plant consisted of a Koehring mixer and a Blaw-Knox batcher plant with inundator. A Barber-Greene portable conveyor was used to elevate the material to the batcher plant.

The building is 163 ft. by 115 ft. and is 85 ft. high. It was designed by Wetherell & Harrison, with Keffer & Jones as associate architects. E. W. Olmstead was the superintendent for the contractors.





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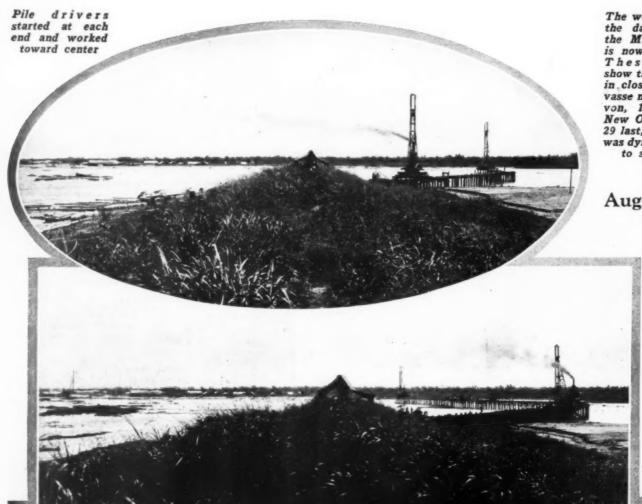
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SALES AND SERVICE BRANCHES ALL OVER



#### Construction Men Are at Work



The work of restoring the damage done by the Mississippi floods is now in full swing. These photographs show the methods used in closing up the crevasse made at Caernarvon, 14 miles below New Orleans on April 29 last, when the levee was dynamited in order to save the city

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Crevasse Closed



# Rebuilding Mississippi Levees

The gap, which was about 4,000 ft. wide, was closed by building a bulkhead, behind which a new levee later will be constructed. This bulkhead was built by Hampton Reynolds, contractor, of New Orleans, under the supervision of the Orleans Levee Board. The job was done in 38 working days

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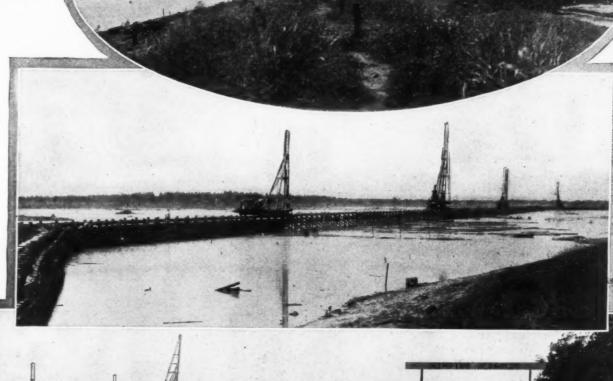
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Photographs contributed by E. E. Elam, Assistant Engineer of Orleans Levee Board

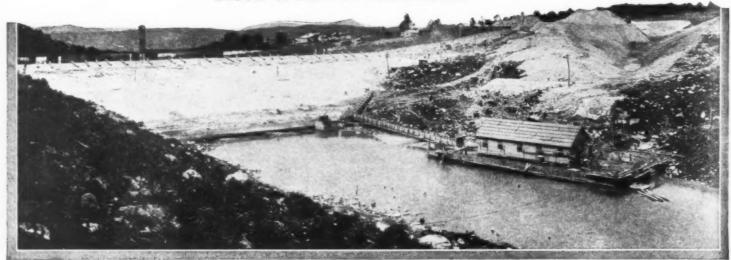
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In 38 Working Days



#### More Power for Connecticut

Rocky River Hydro-Electric Development Will Utilize Flood Waters of Housatonic

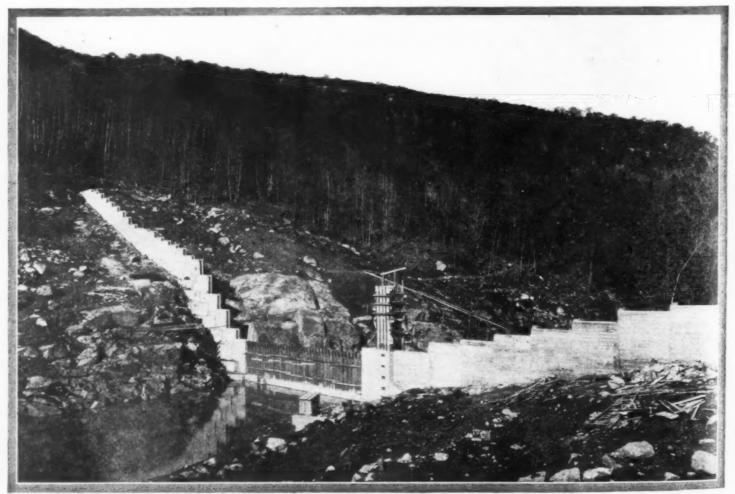


Main dam nearing completion. The pumping plant at right supplies clear water for sluicing. The canal may be seen above pumping house

A UNUSUAL hydro-electric development is now under way in the northwestern part of Connecticut. The Connecticut Light & Power Company is building a large earth dam which will impound 7,000,000 cu.ft. of water and cover 5,600 acres. The dam is in the valley of the

Rocky River, but the flow of this stream is not sufficient to fill the reservoir, and additional water will be pumped up from the Housatonic River into which the Rocky River flows only a short distance from the point at which the dam is being built.

The work as it appeared November of last year when the construction of the corewall was under way

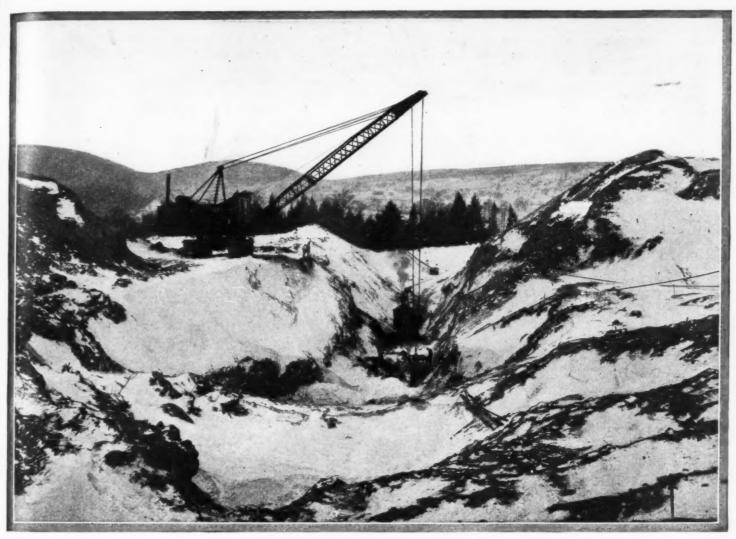


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Excavating canal during the winter months

At first, this plan of pumping water up hill for the purpose of letting it run down again in order to generate electric power seems uneconomical. The explanation lies in the fact that the Connecticut Light & Power Company has other power houses in the Housatonic Valley which are equipped with turbines that can be used in time of high water, when there is no load on the line and the flood water would be wasted over the spillways. These turbines will be used to supply the power for pumping water from the Housatonic up into the new storage reservoir which is 230 ft. above the river level. Thus, the company will be using its surplus power at a time when it is not needed to supply its consumers' demands for power.

In addition to the main dam, five small dams are being constructed by the U. G. I. Contracting Company of Philadelphia which has the contract for the entire job. The work, which will cost about \$4,000,000, began in July, 1926, and probably will be finished about February of next year.

The main dam is built of earth with a wood core, is 930 ft. long, and tapers from a width of 680 ft. at the bottom to 20 ft. at the top. The wood corewall for this dam is of the Wakefield type, consisting of three thicknesses of 2-in. plank, making a tongue and groove wall 6 in. thick. It extends from the high water line down to a concrete core 2-ft. thick which is built to a height of 10 ft. above the original ground.

The construction of the dam has gone forward steadily by the hydraulic method, and the work has been so figured that the entire cut necessary in excavating the canal just equals the amount used in the dam, a total of 780,000 cu.-yd. of excavation. A big Bucyrus dragline has done the stripping and preliminary work which has proved much more difficult

than was anticipated because of the presence of great quantities of boulders. In the early stages of the work, it was found possible to sluice the material into the dam directly through the canal, and this procedure greatly facilitated the speed obtained. At present the dam is nearing completion.

The pumping units which are handling the job consist of six Allis-Chalmers 10-in. centrifugal pumps for supplying the clear water which is pumped up from a basin in back of the dam and later returned to this basin for use over again. Two 12-in. pumps, made by the Morris Machine Works, also are on the job. The power stations will have a capacity of 25,000 kw. operating under a 230-ft. gross head. The pipe used in pumping the material into the dam was made by the American Manganese Steel Company. The pipe carrying this material divides into two sections at a point just above the dam, and a special valve has been rigged up which makes it possible to shut off either pipe and transfer the flow to the other. A picture of this valve is shown on page 25.

Much of the other work has been handled by a P&H dragline. This machine did some particularly efficient work in the early stages of the job, and in one of the photographs on page 24, it is shown filling the piers for a temporary bridge that had to be built.

The power house is located on the bank of the Housatonic River and is being carried down to bed rock, considerably below the river level. In it will be installed the big turbine and also two of the largest Worthington pumps for the given head that have ever been built. These pumps will be used in raising water from the Housatonic up to the storage reservoir.

Gravel pits for supplying aggregates for the small dams also have been opened up and are being operated by the contractor. One of them is shown on the cover of this issue of *Construction Methods*.

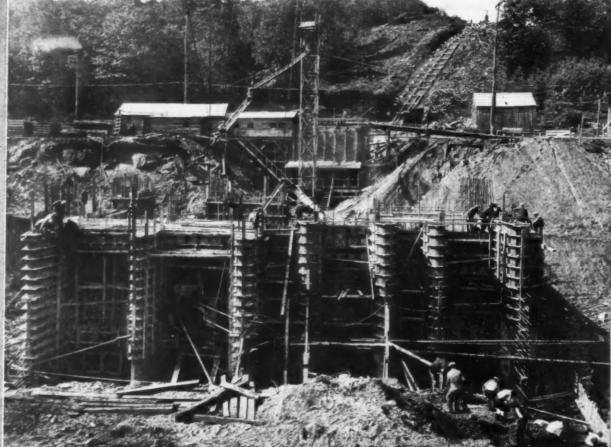
Work has been going on continuously since the job began. Much of the clearing of the area to be covered by the reservoir was done during the winter months, as a large percentage of this area was swamp land and could be more readily cleared when it was frozen over. At that time about

1,000 men were employed. The normal working force is about 500, and a large number of the men are housed in a camp built close to the site of the dam. W. M. Hall is in general charge of the work and R. L. Clark is superintendent on the main dam and powerhouse work.

When completed, the Rocky River Development will effect a radical change in the landscape of the northwestern part of Connecticut as the lake formed by the main dam will be the largest in the state. The head of the lake will be not

The P&H crane operating in midstream while filling piers for temporary bridge





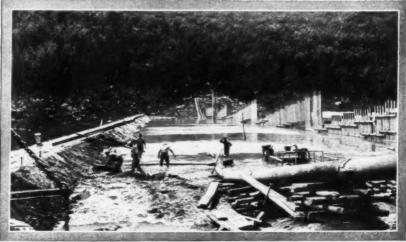
Concrete substructure of power house which is on the bank of Housatonic

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Above — This valve at the junction of pipe lines makes it possible to cut off either line and use the other



Above — Sluicing material for the dam. This photograph gives a good idea of the rocky nature of the soil

Material arriving at the dam behind the corewall

far from Danbury which is 15 miles from New Milford. The working out of the plan for utilizing both the flow

of the Rocky River and the flood waters of the Housatonic

will be followed with great interest by the electrical industry. It is a practice that has been tried out in some sections of Switzerland with success.

#### New Specifications for Michigan Snow Fence

The first tangible results of the snow tests made by the Michigan Highway Department last winter has been a change in the specifications for snow fence, which provides for a fence 4 ft. high with the pickets only  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. apart. No

stretch will be permitted. The photograph below shows V. R. Burton, who has been in charge of the tests, inspecting the work at the experimental station. He is wearing his favorite pair of snowshoes.



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# Long Island Gravel for N

A NUMBER of sand and gravel plants are operated along the shores of Long Island. Great gravel deposits, proximity of a large market, and cheap water transportation make the situation favorable for profitable production of sand and gravel. Some of the plants are equipped to maintain a large daily output.

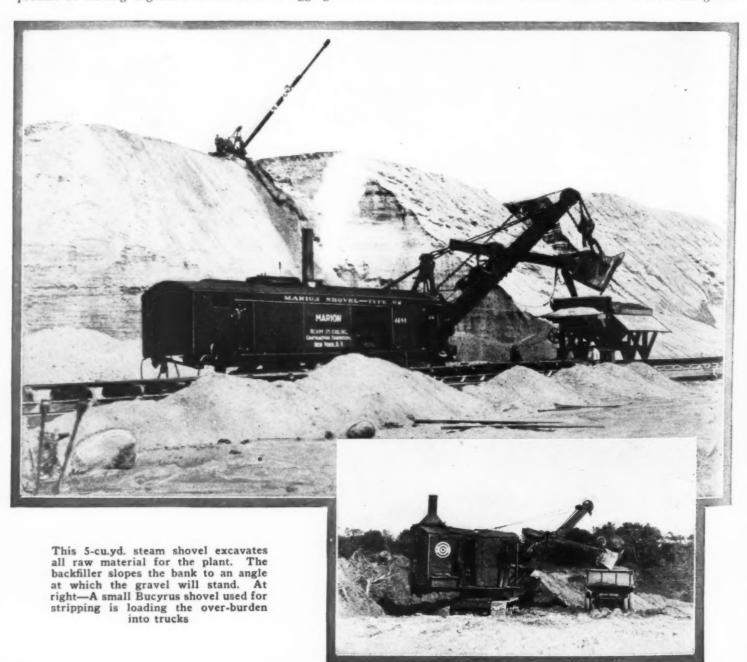
One of the biggest of these installations is the plant operated by the Sand and Gravel Department of Henry Steers, Inc., of New York City. Its capacity is 4,000 cu.yd. a day. The plant is situated on Northport Bay on the north shore of the island. A great hill of gravel, rising from the water's edge, is part of the property which has an area of approximately 150 acres. The deposit has been worked for  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years and enough gravel is known to be present to assure 20 years' continuous operation.

The photographs offer a glimpse of the various steps in the process of turning a green hill into concrete aggregates at

#### Belt Conveyors Handle to Barge at Well

the Steers plant. Raw material is excavated by a large steam shovel and is transported on belt conveyors from the bank to the crusher house. From the crusher it get another conveyor ride to the screens, where the gravel is conveyed to storage piles and the sand is sluiced in dewatering tanks. A main conveyor runs in a tunnel beneath the gravel bins for their entire length. Two feeder conveyors run beneath the sand bins and discharge upon the main conveyor. Sand or gravel is spouted from the end of the main conveyor directly into barges, as one of the photographs shows. Tugs deliver the barges to their destination.

A Marion Model 92 steam shovel with a 5-cu.yd. dipper and crawler traction excavates the material from the gravel



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#### Material From Bank Equipped Plant

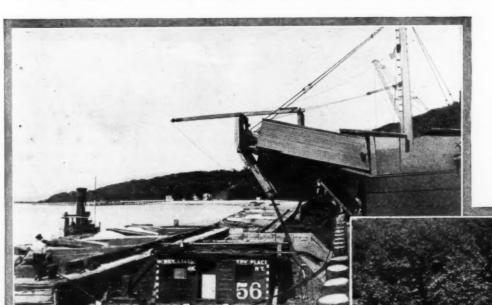
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This 200-ft. conveyor transports the material from the crushers to the top story of the screening house. This building contains twelve shaker screens and uses 2,500 gal. of wash water each minute



bank, which has a height of about 70 ft. The Austin backfiller which appears in the pictures is used to slope the bank, and this prevents slides and cave-ins. It performs a necessary service in an economical way. The steam shovel loads a traveling hopper over the belt conveyor. About 1,500 ft. is the average length of conveyor between the shovel and the crusher house.

Over-size gravel is broken in one of two crushers, an Allis-Chalmers 12-in. gyratory and a Traylor 10-in. finishing crusher. A belt conveyor on a trestle, shown in one of the



The spout at the end of the main conveyor is discharging into the barge at the left. Barges are moved along beneath the spout by a steam winch and cable

The three men at the right are cleaning the chutes through which the sand is sluiced from the screens to the dewatering tanks. Sand is being washed into the nearest tank



The gravel excavation from the top of the bank

photographs, carries the material about 200 ft. across a ravine from the crushers to the screening house. Twelve shaking screens here separate the various sizes of gravel and sand. Grits and coarser gravels are carried to their bins on conveyors. The sand is washed down chutes to the dewatering tanks. About 2,500 gal. of water a minute is used in the screening house.

The main conveyor running underneath the gravel bins is about 250 ft. long. Each of the feeder conveyors for sand, at right angles to the main conveyor, is about 100 ft. long. Many different makes of conveyor equipment are being used around the plant in an effort to determine the most serviceable kinds. It is too early yet for any definite results of the test to have been obtained. At the end of four years, some

knowledge of the wearing qualities of various belts will have been gained.

A steam winch is used to move the barges under the spout. Conveyors, crushers, screens and pumps are operated with electric power. About eighteen motors, of from 10 to 150 hp., drive this equipment. A transformer station reduces 2,300 volt a.c. power to 220 volt a.c. A machine shop and a carpenter shop are maintained at the plant in addition to boiler house, pump house, storage shed and office building.

The sand and gravel are shipped to New York and to the cities across Long Island Sound, such as Bridgeport, New Haven, and New London, Conn. J. R. Steers, Jr., superintendent, is in charge of the operation of the plant. He is assisted by James McArdle.

#### November Photographic Contest

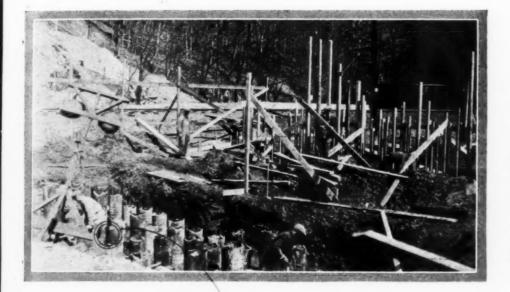
Three Prizes for Photographs of Construction Work

First Prize \$25.00—Second Prize \$15.00—Third Prize \$10.00

Entries close Monday, October 10

### Step-by-Step Field Methods—

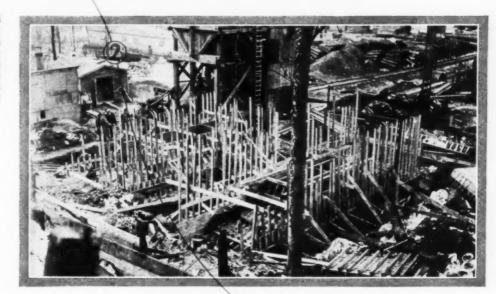
Building a Bridge Pier at Toronto



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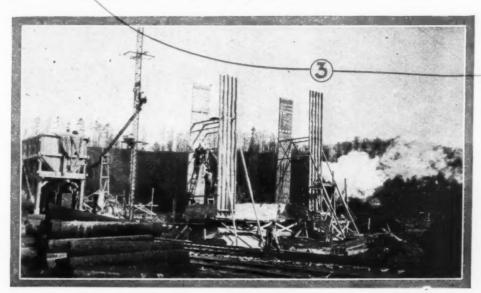
A new viaduct, costing \$1,000,000, is being constructed to connect the municipalities of East York and Leaside, just outside the city of Toronto, Ontario. The valley of the Don will be crossed by a bridge 1,303 ft. long, 56 ft. wide inside of handrails, and 135 ft. above low water level. The deck steel trusses are supported by 10 concrete piers. Eight of these are tall structures averaging over 108 ft. from base to top of coping.

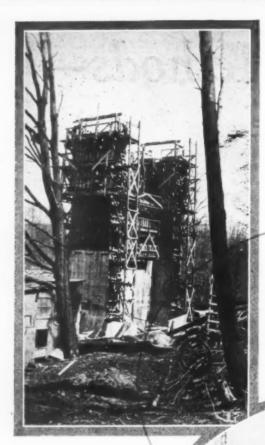
1. The Raymond concrete piles for the pier foundation are ready to be cut off in half. The footing and the forms have been started in the other half



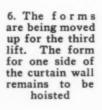
2. Forms for both footings are nearly complete. The traveling material bin and the concrete mixer are ready in the background

3. Footings have been poured and stripped. The first of the pier forms is being set up

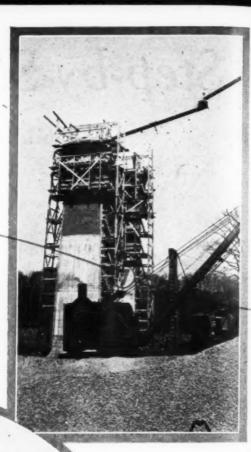




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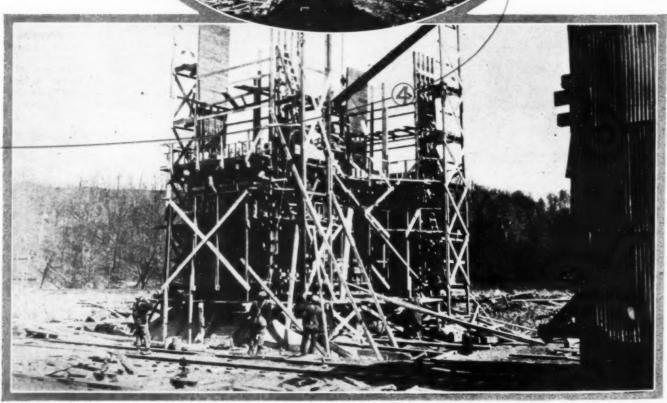


7. Preparing for the fourth lift.
The green concrete is much darker than that previously poured



5. Forms have been moved up and the second lift has been concreted

4. All of the forms are in place and the first lift (13 ft.) of concrete has been poured. The forms are ready to be moved up

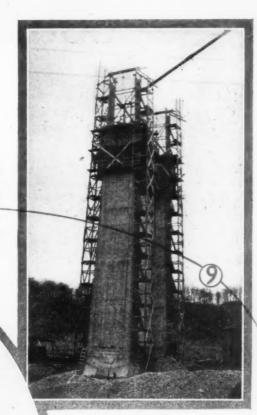


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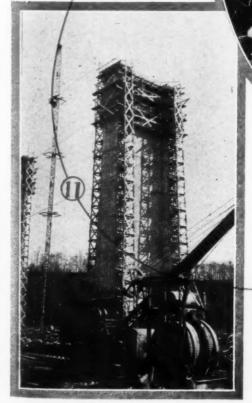
8. The fifth lift has been concreted. One of the two 150-ft. Ransome masts which were used for elevating the concrete is shown

9. Part of the forms for the sixth lift have been erected and the tackles are in place for raising the nearest section of sliding forms



11. Separate forms
for the eighth lift
and for the coping
have been erected
and the concrete
poured

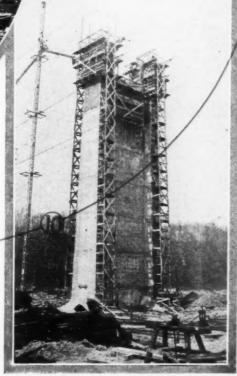
10. Outer forms have been raised for the seventh lift and the middle forms go up next



12. The completed pier. No rubbing is to be done until after the steel is erected and the deck concreted

Four piers were erected at a time and a four day schedule was followed. This allowed the forms to remain undisturbed for two days. Raising the sliding forms took about two hours, placing and tightening bolts and wires occupied slightly over a day and the concreting took hardly five hours. The bridge was designed by Frank Barber, consulting engineer,

The bridge was designed by Frank Barber, consulting engineer, and is being built by Roger Miller & Sons, Ltd., contractors. William Snaith is resident engineer.



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## Southern City Adds New Un

N ORDER to provide an adequate supply of water, the city of Chester, S. C., has just finished the construction of a new storage reservoir, a filter plant and a clear water reservoir. The construction of these units was handled by Tucker & Laxton, Inc., contractors of Charlotte, N. C.

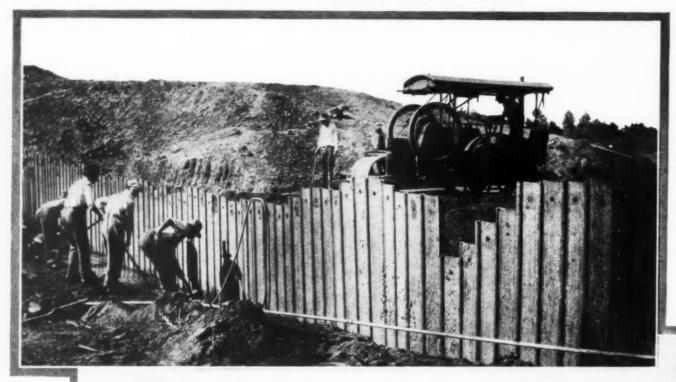
The dam is built of earth with a steel sheet piling core across the stream and a reinforced concrete spillway. It is 700 ft. long and 36 ft. high, and the spillway is 157 ft. wide. A 24-in. pipe was placed through the dam and supplies water to the filter plant.

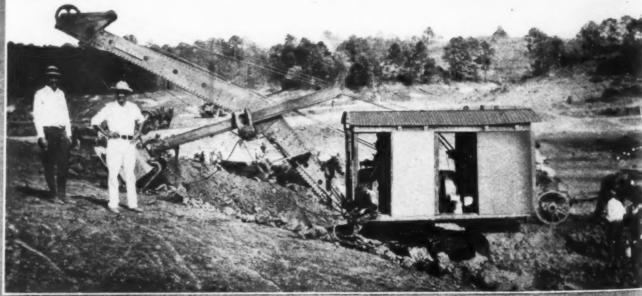
In the construction of the dam the piling was driven to solid rock with a steam hammer. A Bucyrus oil shovel did

the excavating, and an Austin 3-wheel roller was used to compress the dam. The clear water reservoir has an inside diameter of 70 ft. and is covered by a reinforced concrete roof.

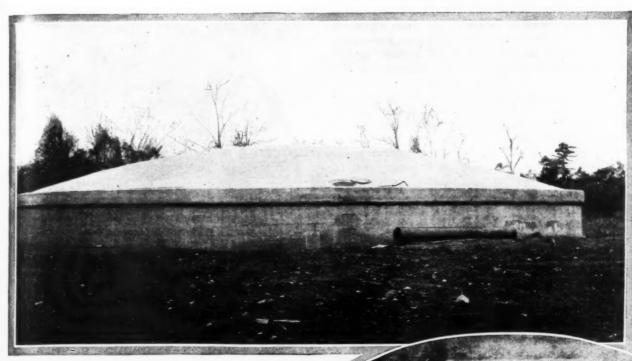
The new storage reservoir has a capacity of 550,000,000 gal., and the filter can handle 2,000,000 gal. per day. The clear water well holds 500,000 gal. These additions to the supply became necessary when the flow of Sandy River proved inadequate. The photographs illustrating this article were sent to Construction Methods by L. J. Jordan, resident engineer on the job for W. H. Booker, consulting engineer of Charlotte, N. C., who is the designer.

At work on the earth dam. The steel sheet piling core wall is shown in the upper picture, the Austin roller used to compress the dam in the background. The Bucyrus shovel in the lower photograph did all the excavating





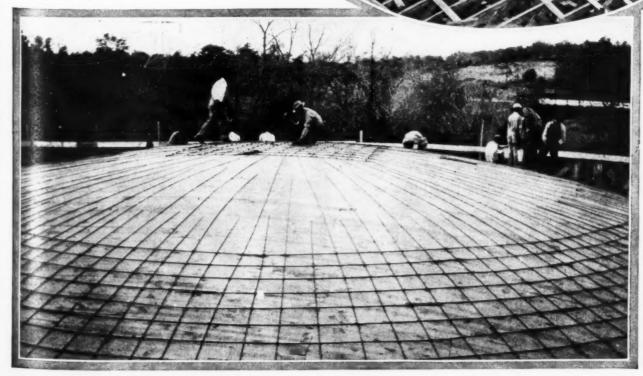
### WInits to Water System



The clear water reservoir as it looked when completed

Wooden trusses were used to support the concrete roof during construction

Placing steel reinforcement for concrete roof



### A Duplex Concrete Plant

A CONCRETING plant equipped with two mixers and at the same time so compactly arranged that it interfered very little with traffic on a busy street was used in the construction of the Russ Building in San Francisco, completed recently. This plant was built and operated by the Dinwiddie Construction Company. E. M. Walters was the superintendent.

As may be seen from the photographs, ramps were built which enabled the trucks to dump into the bins above the mixers without interfering with street traffic. The cement

was stored in sheds under these ramps.

The Russ Building is a steel and concrete structure on Montgomery Street between Pine and Bush Streets. It is 31 stories in height with a basement and sub-basement, the total height of the building being 447 ft. The ground floor dimensions are 275 ft. by 160 ft. The structure was designed by George W. Kelham, and the engineer was H. V. Brunnier. The sub-contractors for the excavation were Granfield,



The duplex concreting plant may be seen in the center photograph. Two mixers were operated simultaneously supplying concrete to two elevator buckets. The picture in the circle at the left shows the way in which the aggregates were hauled in trucks up a ramp to a point over the mixers. The big structure, which cost about \$4,000,000, is shown in the oval at the top of the page

### Remaking a Highway

Use of Old Pavement as a Base on Road Near Cleveland Results in Concrete Nearly Three Feet Thick on Curves

REATLY increased traffic has made necessary the reconstruction of Mayfield Road, one of the main highways east of Cleveland. Cuyahoga County is replacing an old narrow pavement with two slabs of concrete, each 18 ft. wide. Between these two strips a space is left 22 ft. in width which may eventually be occupied by car tracks. Included in the section of road being replaced are the Gates Mill Hills, and on these hills a single slab of concrete 24 ft. wide has been laid. The whole job consists of about 6 miles of the double strip paving and about 13/4 miles of the 24-ft. slab on the hills.

The Dorsey Construction Company of Findlay, Ohio, is handling the work and has had two paving outfits on the job most of the time. Some unusual methods have been used in the work. On the 6-mile section where the two 18-ft. strips are being laid, a Foote paver is making a good record. This paver is operated from the unpaved strip in the middle of

the road and is equipped with a long boom specially made for handling the concrete. This arrangement makes it possible to keep both paver and trucks off the subgrade.

The 18-ft. concrete slabs are 13 in. thick at the inner edge and 10 in. at the outer edge. In finishing them two Lakewood screeds are being used, the first screed running immediately behind the mixer striking off the concrete for the reinforcing, and the second a few yards behind finishing the surface. A double system of reinforcing is used in some places. Where the subgrade is poor or low spots have to be crossed, ½-in. round bars are spaced on 12-in. centers. Mesh reinforcing consisting of 56-lb. mesh gives the pavement additional strength. Along each edge  $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. bars are placed.

A sandstone curb is provided at the outer edge of the slab, and this curb is placed after the slab has been finished. Long hauls are necessary in getting the aggregates to the

Forms were set with remarkable accuracy. In the insert the setting of the sandstone curb is shown





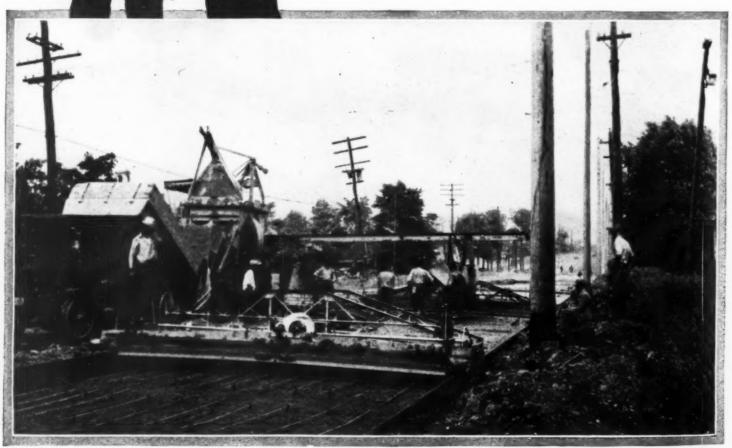
Great care was taken in preparing the subgrade. A Lakewood subgrader was used. At the left, Ray Anspaugh, general superintendent, with his hands in his pockets, is listening to a report from E. J.

Hummon, in charge of one of the paving outfits

mixer as the most available site for a material yard was several miles away. Cement is stored along the side of the road off the subgrade and water is supplied from the street hydrants. A 1:2:3 mix is used on this section of the work. The coarse aggregate is slag.

On the Gates Mill Hills section, where the grade is from

The iron bars used for reinforcing the lower part of the slab may be seen in the foreground. The two Lakewood screeds also are in evidence



8 to 10.8 per cent, some difficult problems have been encountered. A very dry mix was necessary in order to prevent the concrete from slumping. Special effort was made to keep the consistency of the concrete uniform, and as a result of these precautions plus intelligent use of the finishing machine, a remarkably smooth surface has been obtained.

On the hills the old pavement was allowed to remain as a base for the new slab. This old pavement had not been banked on the turns, so in laying the new pavement, superelevation for the curves was obtained by building up with concrete on the outside of the slab. As a result, at some points the new concrete slab is nearly 3 ft. thick.

A granite curb was used on these sections. It was put in place first, and in finishing the slab, the finishing machine ran on the forms on one side and the granite curb on the other. Specially designed angles were provided to form a track for the machine on the curb and to serve as an anchor which held the curb in place while the machine was operating. The machine also was arranged so that it could screed and tamp below the top of the curb.

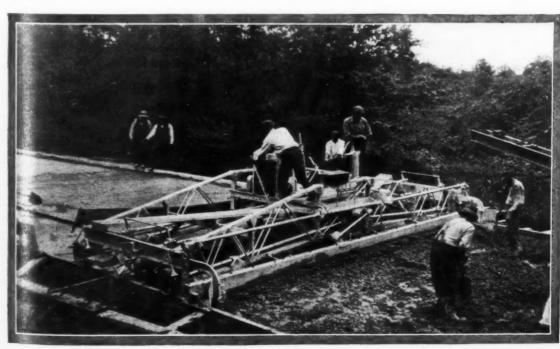
The unusual thickness of the slab renders it impossible to make a fair comparison with other jobs so far as the speed of the work is concerned. The job has been going forward, however, at an even pace in spite of the unusual nature of the work. Except on the hill section it has been possible to keep the Mayfield Road open to traffic.

Ray Anspaugh is general superintendent for the Dorsey Construction Company. R. S. Brindell is division engineer for the state. James McLeary is the chief road engineer for Cuyahoga County, and Daniel Davis is engineer and inspector for the state on the work in this county.

The work on Mayfield Road is only one unit of the extensive highway improvements under way or planned in the near future in Cuyahoga County. The great growth of the city of Cleveland has created traffic conditions which have overloaded most of the highways in the outlying sections of the county, and steps are being taken to rebuild many of the roads which either are too narrow for the present traffic, or which have broken down because of the fact that they have carried far more traffic than was contemplated when they were designed and built. Surveys have been made by the county officials, the State Highway Department and by the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads which will result in a comprehensive plan for improvement along modern lines of the highways connecting Cleveland with other parts of the



Beyond the mixer may be seen the freshly laid concrete which at this point is more than 2 ft. thick



At this point, one of the widened curves, the finisher ran on a false form



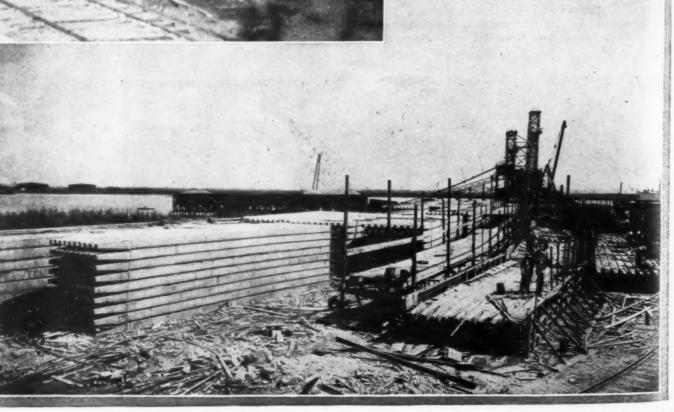
IN BUILDING two long piers for the Alabama State Docks' Commission along the west bank of the Mobile River at Mobile, Ala., Doullutt & Ewin, Inc., New Orleans, were faced by the problem of casting and driving 6,000 piles from 45 to 60 ft. long. The piles contained about 21,000 cu.yd. of concrete. In addition, 44,000 cu.yd. were required for superstructures. The piers are about 1,600 ft. long. Pier 2 is 560 ft. wide but Pier 1 is irregular in shape.

A large capacity concrete mixing plant was erected along the river bank. Two 1-cu.yd. mixers, a Koehring operated by steam and a Smith by electric power, took care of the concrete output. The piles were cast and stored nearby.

Standard-gage track connected the mixing plant and storage yard with all parts of the piers. In driving, the piles were hammered very little, but were jetted down with two 3-in. jets.

Concrete for the superstructures was transported on flat cars in 8-cu.yd. hoppers. The longest haul was a little more than one mile. Locomotive cranes handled the hoppers. At the scene of operations the concrete was dumped into sta-

Casting yard with concrete plant in background. In the center background are the bins into which aggregates were loaded directly from barges



One of the two steel

pile drivers equipped with Vulcan steam

hammer and two jets which drove the long

plumb piles

### lesfor New Pier at Mobile

tionary hoppers, from which it was distributed in buggies.

The construction of the docks is under the supervision of Gen. William L. Sibert, Chairman and Chief Engineer of the

Alabama State Docks' Commission. J. C. Cummings is Assistant Chief Engineer. F. Brown is superintending operations for Doullutt & Ewin, Inc.

At right—Pouring the deck of Pier 2, showing reinforcing in place

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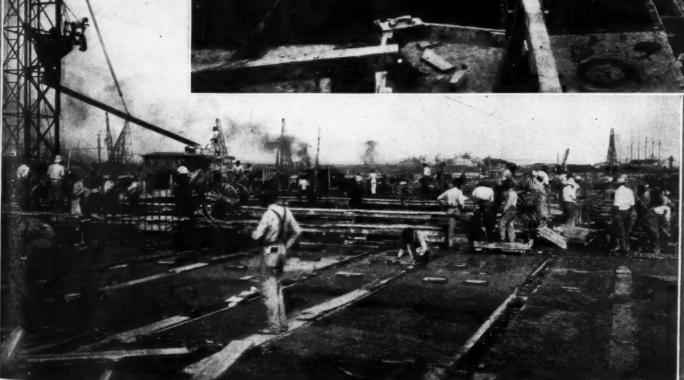
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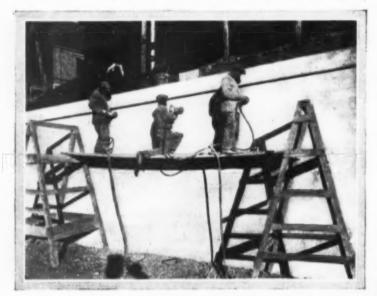
Below — A concrete distributing tower was used on this section of the work



### NEW EQUIPMENT ON THE JOB

### For Surfacing Concrete

Another tool has been added to the Ingersoll-Rand Company's long list of machines operated by compressed air. The newcomer is a portable concrete surfacing machine which



is used for smoothing concrete surfaces and removing form marks. It can be used on either green or old concrete. The machine is equipped with a ring-shaped grinding wheel which utilizes the flat face of the wheel.

### **Increasing Conveyor Efficiency**



In connection with conveyor equipment, the Link-Belt Company of Chicago is now manufacturing a new anti-friction belt conveyor idler and return rolls. One of the features of the idler is a labyrinth grease seal mounted in a grease cap which also serves as an outboard reservoir and lubricates the bearing on the outside as well as on the inside. This is especially useful when the roll is on an incline. The grease cup in turn is protected by a deflector plate which deflects dirt, dust, grit or any foreign material away from the bearings and grease seal and will not permit the washing of the grease away from the labyrinth.

The rolls are mounted on a self-cleaning "T" base, and all rolls are interchangeable and so can be used in any of the three positions. The entire frame is riveted and there are no bolts or nuts to work loose.

The belt shown in the photograph is 30 in, wide and is equipped with the new anti-friction idler. It is used for handling sand and gravel in the plant of a supplier of construction materials.

### A Brick Cleaning Machine

A machine which cleans brick of all kinds has been placed on the market by the Rotor Air Tool Company of Cleveland. It consists of a main table below which is mounted a main



shaft running in Hyatt roller bearings. Two special cutting heads containing the cutting members are mounted on this shaft. The cutters can be easily removed and changed. The two cutting heads project slightly through slots in the table, and the table is hinged at the back with a positive screw adjustment which makes it possible to raise or lower the forward part. The bricks are handled in exactly the same manner that a piece of wood is planed or shaped on a wood joiner. The entire machine is mounted on a 4-wheel truck which makes it easy to transport it from one place to another.

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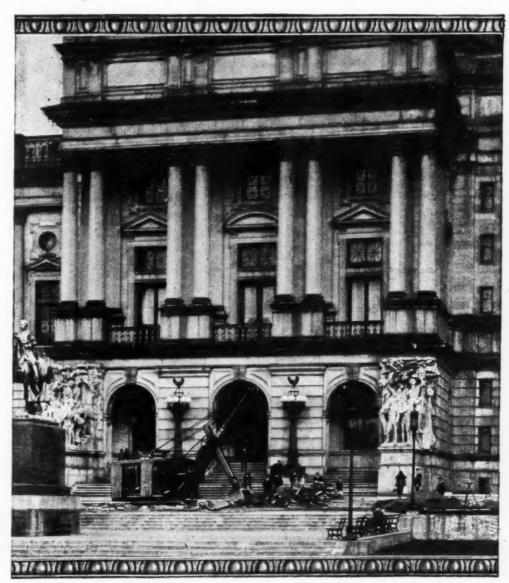
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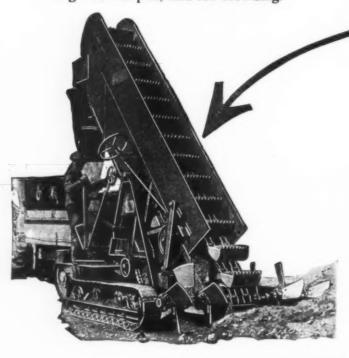


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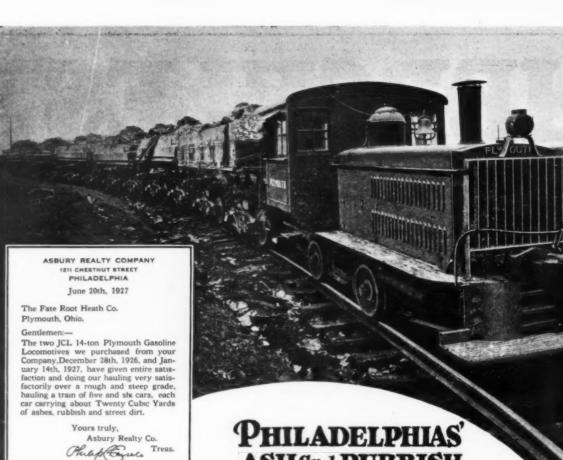
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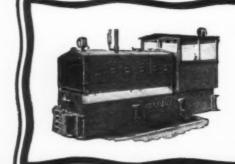
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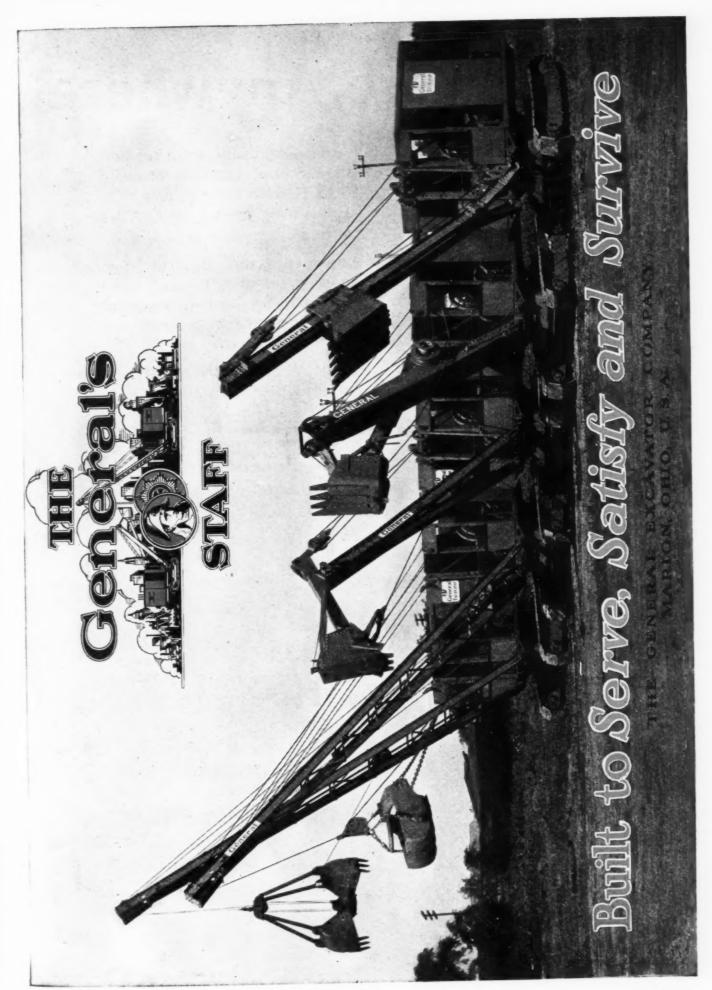
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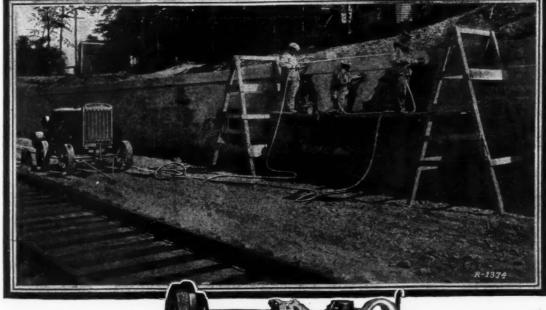
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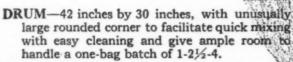


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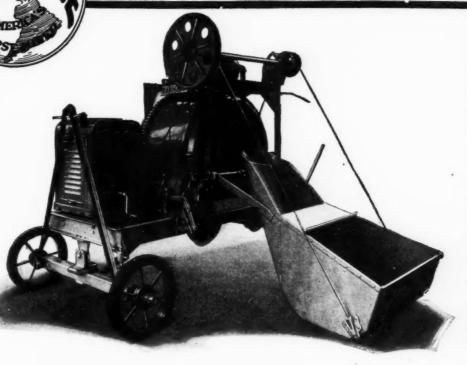
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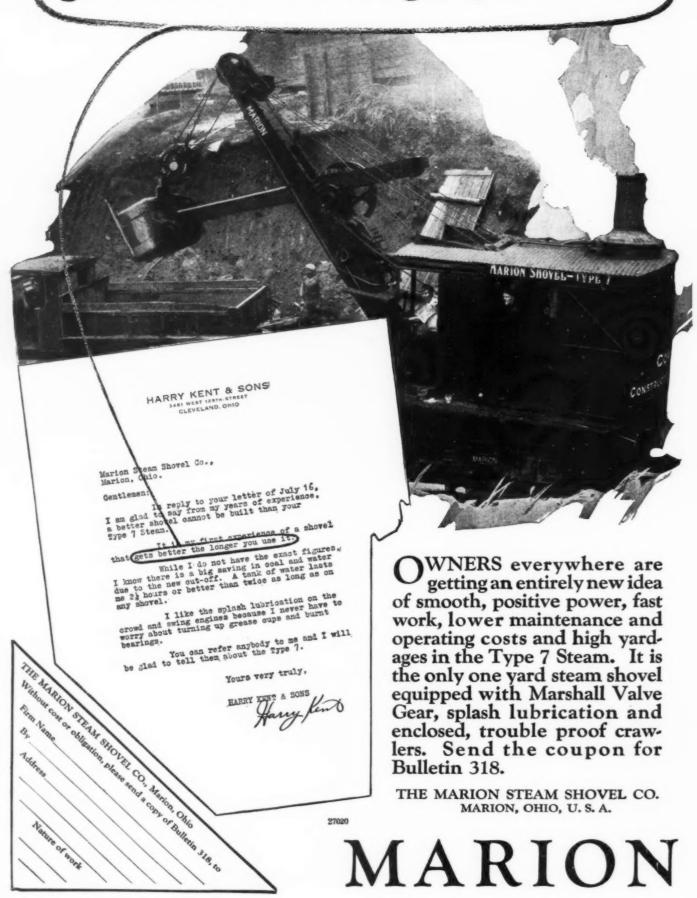


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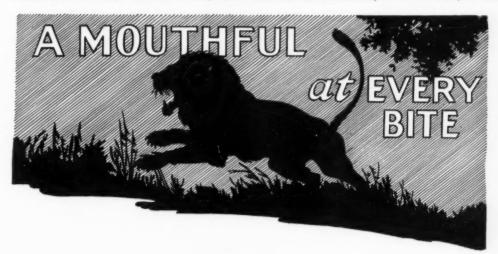
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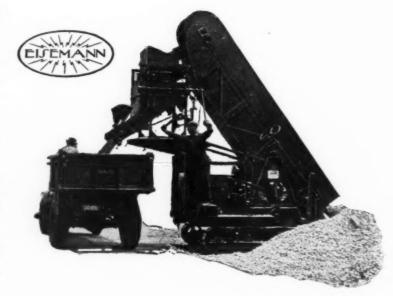
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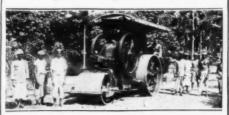
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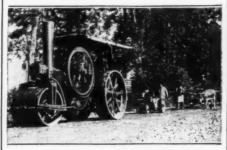
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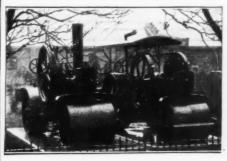
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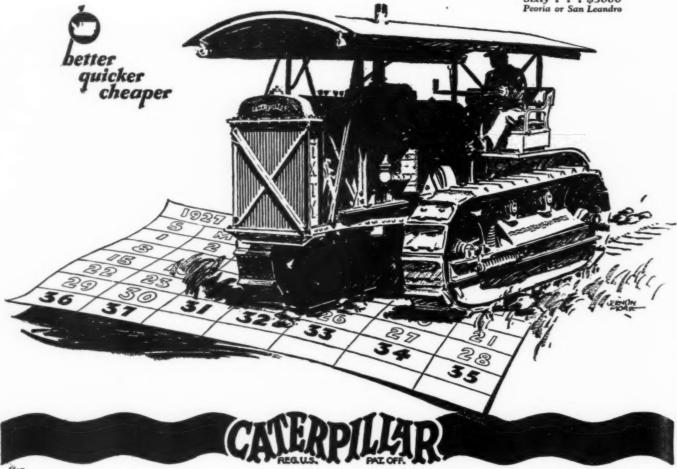
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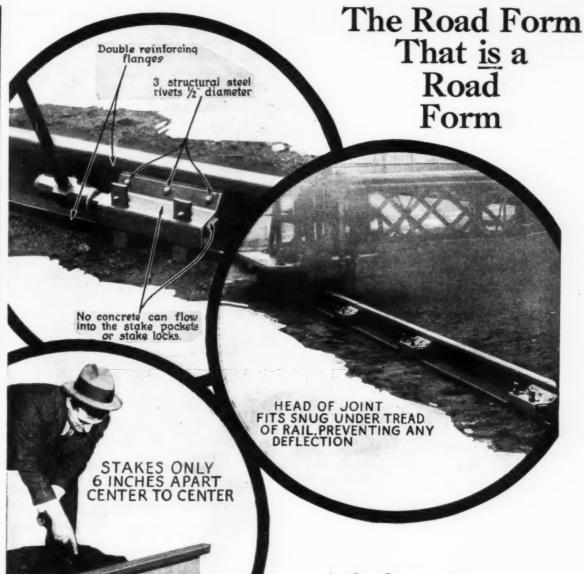
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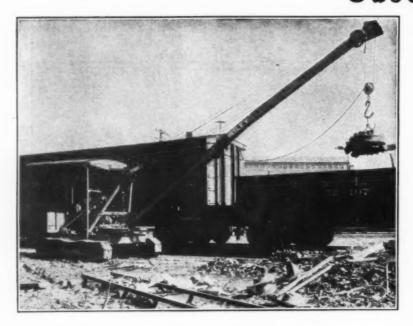
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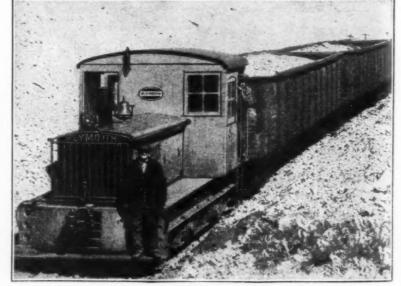
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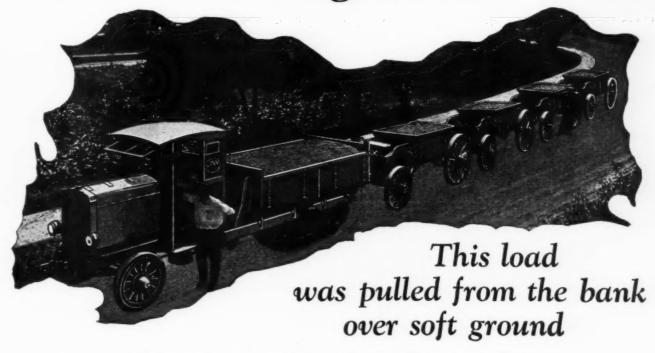
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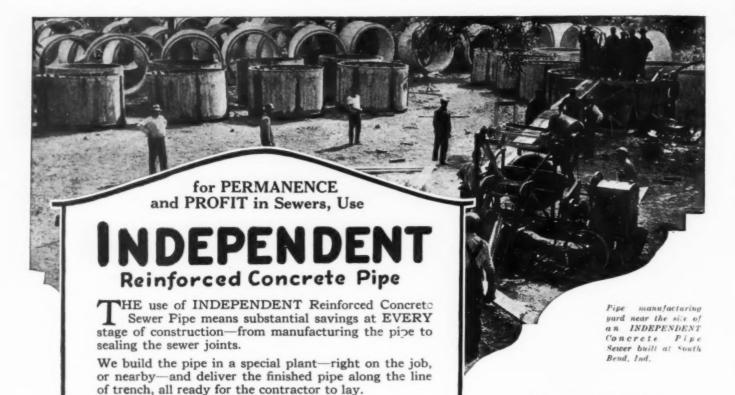
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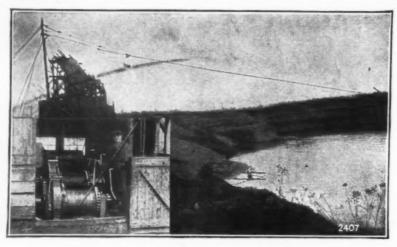
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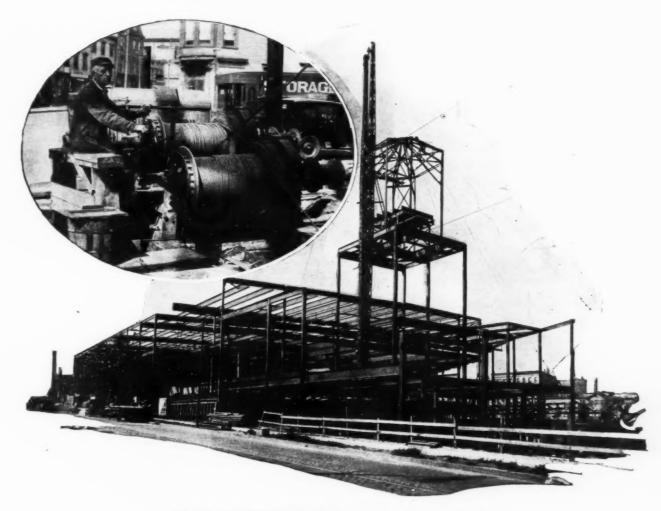
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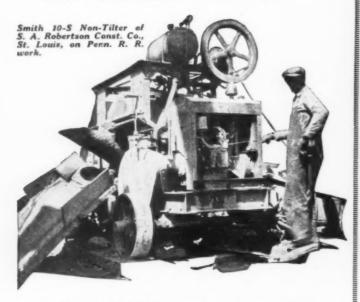
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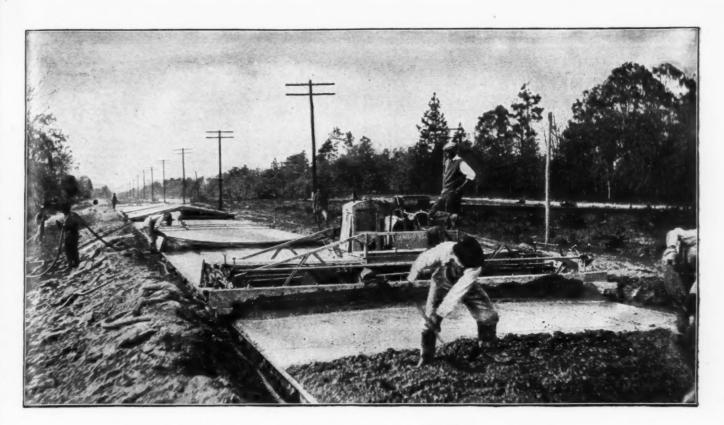
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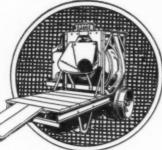


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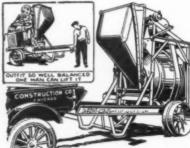
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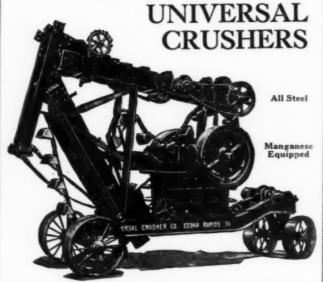
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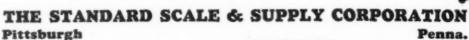
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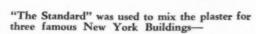
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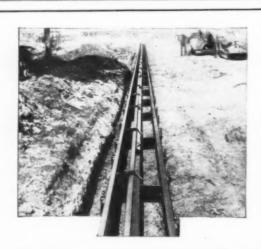


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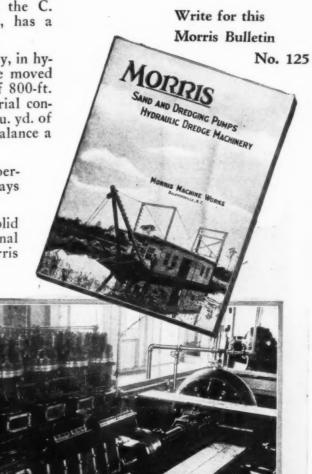
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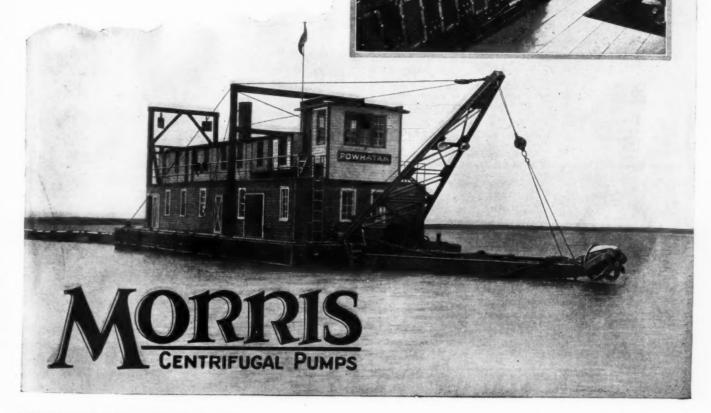
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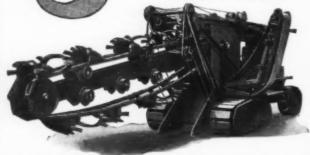
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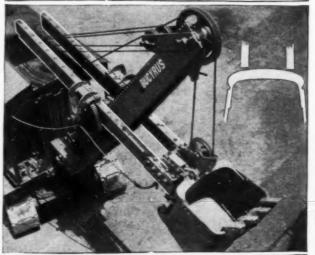
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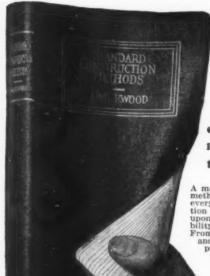
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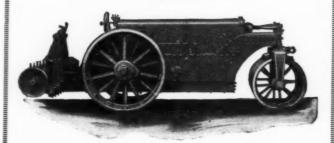
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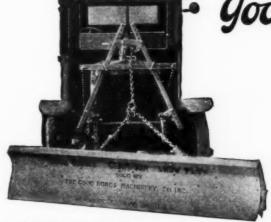
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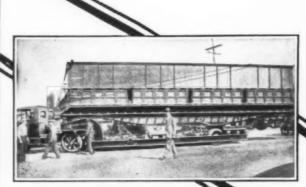
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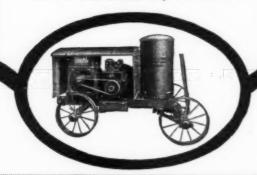
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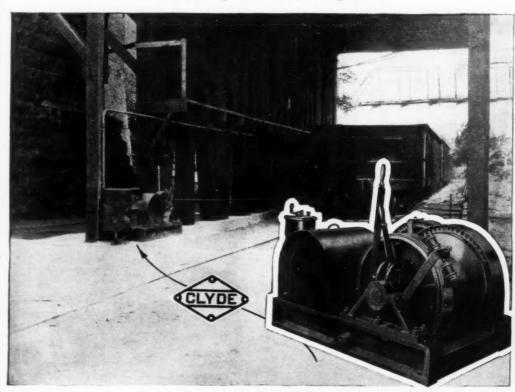


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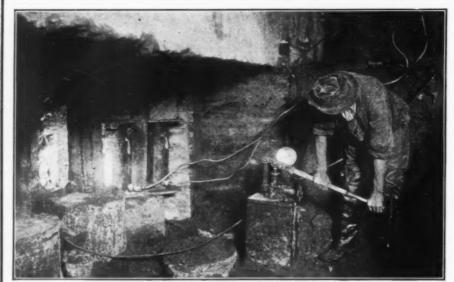


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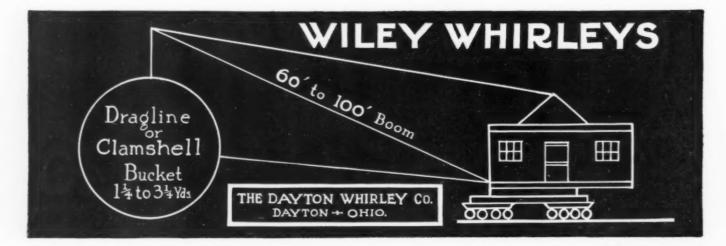
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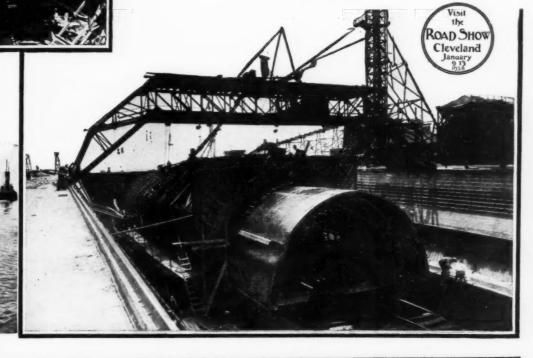
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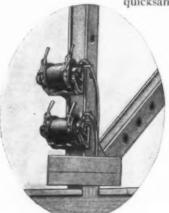
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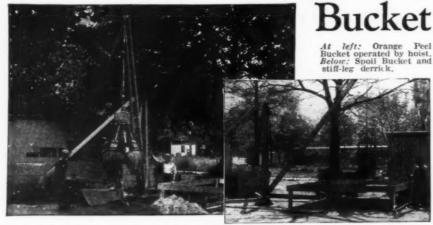
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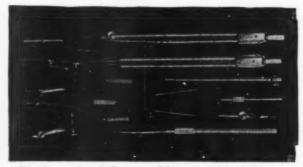
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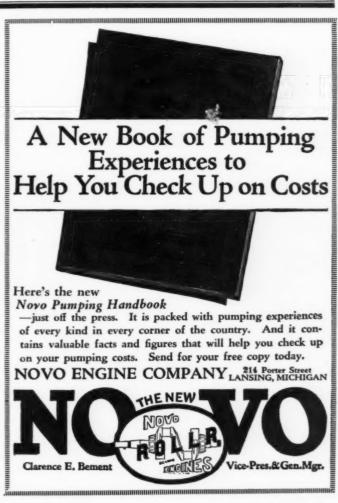


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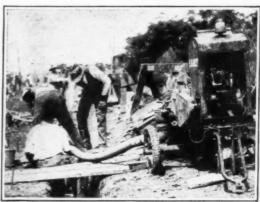
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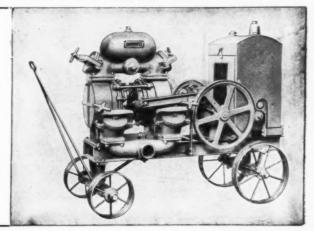
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